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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, GW, IEA

SUBJECT: FRG VIEWS ON RESUMPTION OF DIALOGUE

1. SUMMARY: ECONMINISTRY SENIOR OFFICIAL CONFIRMS THAT FRG AGREES "IN PRINCIPLE" WITH FRENCH SCENARIO FOR RESUMPTION OF DIALOGUE. EXPRESSES INTEREST IN ROLE OF FOURTH COMMISSION, QUESTIONS WHETHER MSP IS "DEAD" ISSUE, AND INQUIRES ABOUT PRESS REPORTS RE BARTER OF USG GRAINS FOR USSR OIL. WE WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON FOURTH COMMISSION AND GRAIN-VERSUS-OIL BARTER. END SUMMARY.

2. AUGUST 25 ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL MINISTER MET WITH ECONMINISTRY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ENGELMANN TO DISCUSS FRG VIEWS ON RESUMPTION OF DIALOGUE. ENGELMANN EXPRESSED SATISFACTION OVER RECENT "PROCEDURAL" PROGRESS BUT TOOK RESERVED STANCE ON WHAT PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE ON "SUBSTANCE" OF ENERGY PROBLEM.

3. ENGELMANN SAID FRG AGREED "IN PRINCIPLE" WITH SCENARIO LAID OUT IN FRENCH AIDE MEMOIRE, THOUGH EC IS STILL PREPARING FORMAL, COORDINATED REPLY.

A. HE THOUGHT THAT BASIC USG AND FRG POSITIONS REMAIN IN HARMONY, BUT HE NOTED THAT FRG IS "SOFTER" ON (1) IEA OBSERVER STATUS AT PREPCON II--I.E., FRG COULD ACCEPT CAMOUFLAGED OECD RUBRIC--AND (2) MEMBERSHIP CEILING OF 15 FOR COMMISSIONS.

B. HE REGARDED MEETING BETWEEN MINISTERIAL SESSIONS AS SECONDARY ISSUE WHICH WE COULD FACE LATER. IN ANY EVENT, HE THOUGHT THAT COMMISSIONS MIGHT DECIDE AFTER SIX MONTHS THAT THEY HAD NOT YET MADE SUFFICIENT PROGRESS TO WARRANT A HIGH-LEVEL REVIEW MEETING.

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C. ENGELMANN SAID FRG WAS UNCLEAR AS TO EXACTLY WHAT FOURTH COMMISSION WOULD DO. IN PARTICULAR, HE WONDERED WHETHER FOURTH COMMISSION WOULD DEAL WITH PRICES.

4. ENGELMANN EXPRESSED STRONG INTEREST IN RESUMPTION OF CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE ON USG ENERGY POLICY, NOTING IMPRESSION HE HAD RECEIVED IN VAIL LAST JUNE THAT MSP IS "DEAD" ISSUE.

5. FINALLY, ENGELMANN EXPRESSED "AMAZEMENT" AT RECENT PRESS REPORTS THAT USG MIGHT BARTER GRAINS FOR SOVIET OIL. HE UNDERSTOOD HOW USG MIGHT CONTEMPLATE SHORT-TERM SWAP, BUT HE COULD NOT SEE HOW THIS FITTED INTO CONCEPT OF LONGER-RUN USG ENERGY INDEPENDENCE.

6. COMMENT AND ACTION REQUESTED: FRG REMAINS BY AND LARGE WILLING TO ACCEPT WHATEVER FRENCH AND WE CAN WORK OUT ON RESUMPTION OF DIALOGUE. WE WOULD WELCOME ANY GUIDANCE ON (A) ROLE OF FOURTH COMMISSION, AND (B) US/USSR SWAP POSSIBILITY.  
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